License Committee Meeting Monday, January 26, 2009

Item #1

2009 Class II renewal for Izzy's Garage & Shop, Inc., located at 562 Chicopee Street. Applicant: Isaiah Salloom, 167 Root Road, Westfield, MA 01085

Item #2

2009 Auto Repair renewal for Izzy's Garage & Shop, Inc., located at 562 Chicopee Street.

Applicant: Isaiah Salloom, 167 Root Road, Westfield, MA 01085

Item #3 – Tabled

Application for a NEW Junk Dealer's License for a shop of secondhand articles at 212 Exchange Street.

Applicant: Cuong P. Ho, 442 Britton Street, Chicopee, MA 01020

Item #4 - Tabled

Application for a NEW Pawnbrokers License for a shop of secondhand articles at 212 Exchange Street.

Applicant: Cuong P. Ho, 442 Britton Street, Chicopee, MA 01020

Item #5 - Tabled

ORDERED THAT Daniel's Truck Center, 18 Montcalm Street, Class II & Auto Repair Licenses be called in before the License Committee because of possible restriction violations and possible environmental concerns. At this hearing the committee may modify, suspend or revoke the licenses.

Item #6

Minutes

CHICOPEE BOARD OF ALDERMEN





ACCEPTED 2-23-09

Members

Ronald R. Belair, Chairman Dino A. Brunetti, Vice-Chairman Shane Brooks Fred Krampits Robert J. Zygarowski

MINUTES January 26, 2009

The following are the minutes of a public hearing held Monday, January 26, 2009 at 6:00 PM in the Aldermanic Chambers, Fourth Floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.

Members Present

Belair, Brunetti, Brooks, Krampits, Zygarowski

Also Present

Alderman Swider (Ward 2), Daniel Garvey (Associate City Solicitor), Kate Brown (Planning Director), Anna Wrzesinski

(Mayors Administrative Assistant)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

Motion made by Alderman Brunetti to postpone Items # 1 & 2 and move to Items # 3 & 4 Motion accepted. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

ITEM #3

Application for a NEW Junk Dealers License for a shop of secondhand articles at 212 Exchange Street.

Applicant:

Cuong P. Ho, 442 Britton Street, Chicopee, MA 01020

Attorney William Brown, 1618 E Mountain Rd, Westfield, MA 01085 also attended meeting

Attorney Brown stated (in list form)

- Weekdays 7am-9pm
- No minors will be allowed to buy or sell
- All buyers/sellers will need valid MA state ID
- Importance of all records be accurate and up to date
- Would like Cuong be allowed a first 6 month trial basis
- Security:
 - Spoke with Mr. Bonavita and he would like to come to City Hall along with the Chicopee Police Chief to go through all guidelines.

Alderman Belair asked if there were any suggestions from Mr. Bonavita

Attorney Brown answered Mr. Bonavita has stated he is willing to come and schedule a meeting with the committee

Alderman Belair stated security is his biggest concern – protection of the store, applicant and city.

Alderman Zygarowski asked who else will work at the store

Attorney Brown stated Mr. Ho will hire someone who can speak Vietnamese and English fluently along with he will be getting worksman comp

Alderman Brooks asked if the Mass. General Laws were explained in full to Cuong as well as fire arms etc.

Attorney Brown stated yes, everything, especially the fire arms

Motion made to table as requested by applicant Motion passed. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

ITEM #4

Application for a NEW Pawnbrokers License for a shop of secondhand articles at 212 Exchange Street.

Applicant: Cuong P. Ho, 442 Britton Street, Chicopee, MA 01020

- 1. Abide by all City Codes and Ordinances
- 2. No bars or pull down shutters
- 3. Video surveillance with tape recorded
- 4. No alteration to outside of store front

Attorney William Brown, 1618 E Mountain Rd, Westfield, MA 01085 also attended meeting

Motion made to table as requested by applicant Motion passed. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

<u>ITEM # 5</u>

ORDERED THAT Daniel's Truck Center, 18 Montcalm Street, Class II & Auto Repair Licenses be called in before the License Committee because of possible restriction violations and possible environmental concerns. At this hearing the committee may modify, suspend or revoke the licenses.

Motion made to table and return to Items # 3 & 4. Motion passed. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

<u>ITEM #1</u>

2009 Class II renewal for Izzy's Garage & Shop, Inc., located at 562 Chicopee Street.

Motion made by Alderman Brooks to table due to applicant not attending meeting Motion passed. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

ITEM #2

2009 Auto Repair renewal for Izzy's Garage & Shop, Inc., located at 562 Chicopee Street.

Motion made by Alderman Brooks to table due to applicant not attending meeting Motion passed. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

Motion made to bring Item # 5 back from table Motion passed. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

ITEM # 5

ORDERED THAT Daniel's Truck Center, 18 Montcalm Street, Class II & Auto Repair Licenses be called in before the License Committee because of possible restriction violations and possible environmental concerns. At this hearing the committee may modify, suspend or revoke the licenses.

Daniel LaFlamme of 316 Montcalm Street, Chicopee, MA present at meeting (Owner of business)

Dan LaFlamme stated he looked up the distance of area from the blacktop on the City's map and he is on residential property but if he was to move any trucks off of the property he will no longer be able to gain access anywhere and because of this he doesn't know what to do

Alderman Belair stated he would have to apply for a Zone Change which would definitely need to be done

Dan LaFlamme asked if there could be any other route he can take if the owner doesn't want to go forward

Alderman Belair answered unfortunately there is nothing else that can be done except to apply for a Zone Change

Kate Brown suggested to Mr. LaFlamme to be very precise when applying for Zone Change because there are many steps to be taken and wants to go as fast as possible. Also, be careful with slicing the residential area

Alderman Brooks asked if he could make a deal with the owner to maybe store a few cars on his property in the back

Kate Brown stated that Engineering doesn't like the idea of that

Alderman Belair stated he keeps a close eye on the property and what is going on. He sees the efforts that are being made and Mr. LaFlamme is he doing a great job

Alderman Belair asked if there is an industry standard from a ravine

Kate Brown stated no, but it also really depends on if it is a jurisdiction area. For example wet lands etc. She also stated Engineering is concerned with erosion as well.

Alderman Belair stated he wants to keep Daniel's Truck Center in business but also needs to abide by all laws.

Motion made by Alderman Brooks to table. Seconded by Alderman Zygarowski Motion passed. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

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Motion made by Alderman Zygarowski to accept. Motion approved. Committee Vote: 5-0 favorable

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM